



Barrow Airport Master Plan Update

Project No. 61974

MEETING NOTES

SUBJECT: Barrow Airport Master Plan Update

PROJECT NO.: ADOT&PF: 61974; B&A Project No. 3925.09

GROUP: Public

DATE: Tuesday, February 26, 2013

TIME: 4 pm to 8 pm, presentation at 4:30

LOCATION: North Slope Borough Assembly Chambers

MEETING OUTREACH: See Table 1. Meeting Outreach

MEETING ATTENDANCE: 41 people signed in

MEETING MATERIALS: Aerial photo, comment sheets, PowerPoint presentation, Barrow Roads Project Update (provided by North Slope Borough)

STAFF PRESENT: *ADOT&PF:* Jeff Roach, Project Manager; Alexa Greene, Hannah Blankenship, Roger Maggard, Lauren Ivanov, Brittany Russell, Paul Karczmarczyk, Jeff Russell, John Olsen
FAA: Pat Oien
PDC Engineers: Patrick Cotter, Project Manager; Valerie Webb Environmental Analyst
Brooks & Associates: Anne Brooks, P.E., Public Involvement Lead; Camden Yehle, Public Involvement

MEETING INFORMATION:

Attendees were greeted at the door and asked to sign-in and briefed on the open house format, location of materials, and availability of project staff to answer their questions. They were also reminded that presentations would be provided at 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Staff members were on hand to answer questions. Pizza and beverages were provided. An overview of the project was given in the format of a PowerPoint presentation beginning at 4:30 p.m. Edith Nageak interpreted the presentation, discussion and question and answer session into Inupiat. The presentation and discussion was taped using the North Slope Borough equipment.

Three surveys (Barrow Resident, Barrow Business and Barrow Airport Flight Service) were available for attendees.

No written comments were received at the meeting.

The project team recorded the following comments, questions and team responses at the meeting:

- Access to Barrow is blocked by the airport when returning on snow machines from the south. Melt water on the sea ice forces whalers on land and they traverse around the west end of the runway.

- Residents are concerned about the airport noise and its close proximity to residences. They feel boxed in by the airport and unable to expand or develop the community.
- Alaska Airlines parking is very poor and causes safety problems.
- Residents mentioned relocation of the airport and asked if it was being considered. Locals felt the airport boxed them in and created a barrier to growth and development. The team indicated that it could be looked at again and weighed with the same criteria as other items – cost, socio-economic, environmental impacts, etc.
- How will you evaluate the impacts of industry on the airport, particularly the heavy industry impacts of oil and gas development? The team indicated they would be discussing the airport needs with users to determine if any changes would be necessary to respond to industry activities in the area. Much of this information is expected to come from the surveys.
- What are the foreseeable events affecting the airport? Locals mentioned an acceleration of coastal erosion that could impact the airport.
- What would happen to airport land in the event a new airport was created? The airport land would remain airport property.

Email comments received prior to the meeting are summarized below:

- Two comments were received outlining concerns about the Alaska Airlines terminal facilities. The comments discussed the area available for TSA screening, lack of baggage carousel, arrival/departure monitors, etc. Commenters felt this was needed for good customer service.
- One email requested information on the team’s efforts to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act allowing project access to all.

Table 1. Meeting Outreach

Date	Outreach method	Description
2/12/2013	Project website	Project specific website hosted by ADOT&PF & formatted in accordance with Department specifications.
2/12/2013	Postcard mailer	Inviting the public to the 2/26/13 open house
2/14/2013	Display advertising in <i>Anchorage Daily News</i>	Inviting the public to the 2/26/13 open house
2/14/2013 2/21/2013	Display advertising in <i>Arctic Sounder</i>	Inviting the public to the 2/26/13 open house
2/14/2013	Display advertising in <i>Fairbanks Daily News Miner</i>	Inviting the public to the 2/26/13 open house
2/12/2013	State of Alaska Online Notice	Inviting the public to the 2/26/13 open house
2/16/2013 to 2/25/2013	Public service announcement request sent to KBRW-FM	Sent with request to broadcast announcement inviting public to meeting.

Date	Outreach method	Description
	and KBRW-AM	
2/18/2013	Constant Contact email	Provide email invitation to the meeting to project stakeholders
2/16/2013 to 2/25/2013	Public service announcement request sent to GCI	Sent with request to broadcast announcement inviting public to meeting.

Related documents on file.

**Denotes items posted on the web site.

- Sign in Sheets
- Handouts (Comment Sheet, Surveys**)
- Flier Mailer
- Public Service Announcements
- Display Advertising
- PowerPoint presentation**